Assistant Secretary Ann Stock Alumni Engagement Innovation Fund Video Announcement

Hello from Washington. I'm Ann Stock and I am the Assistant Secretary of State for Educational and Cultural Affairs.

You are shining examples of the incredible impact our exchange program has. I want to thank you especially for promoting mutual understanding between your country and America.

Today, I am pleased to announce the creation of an Alumni Engagement Innovation Fund to support your projects focusing on climate change, mentoring, and other innovative ideas.

I'm challenging each of you to join with your fellow alumni to create projects that will make a difference in our world! From Washington, we will support you in this mission in every way that we can.

We are currently expanding our alumni training opportunities, hiring more alumni coordinators abroad, and engaging our alumni through new media, such as Facebook. In fact, you can also stay connected to me by following me on Twitter.

For now though, I want each of you to log on to the State Alumni website for details on our new Alumni Engagement Innovation Fund.

On behalf of the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs and the U.S. State Department, thank you very much for continuing to make a difference. I truly appreciate it.